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Sent: 10/1/20205:00:19 PM

To: @fb.com];

Subject: FW: Case #CIS-MIS000024: Misinformation.re: Sonoma County elections - Promoted by Russian Actors

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From: Misinformation Reports @cisecurity.org>

Sent: Thursday, October 1, 2020 4:23 PM

To: Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov>; CISA Central @cisa.dhs.gov>; CFITF @hq.dhs.gov>;

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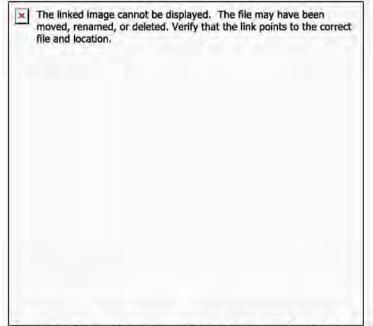


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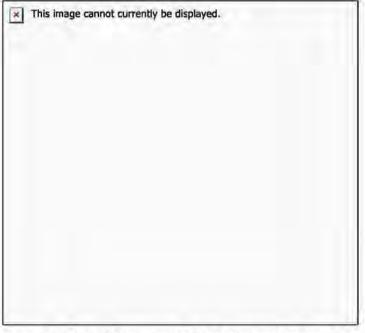


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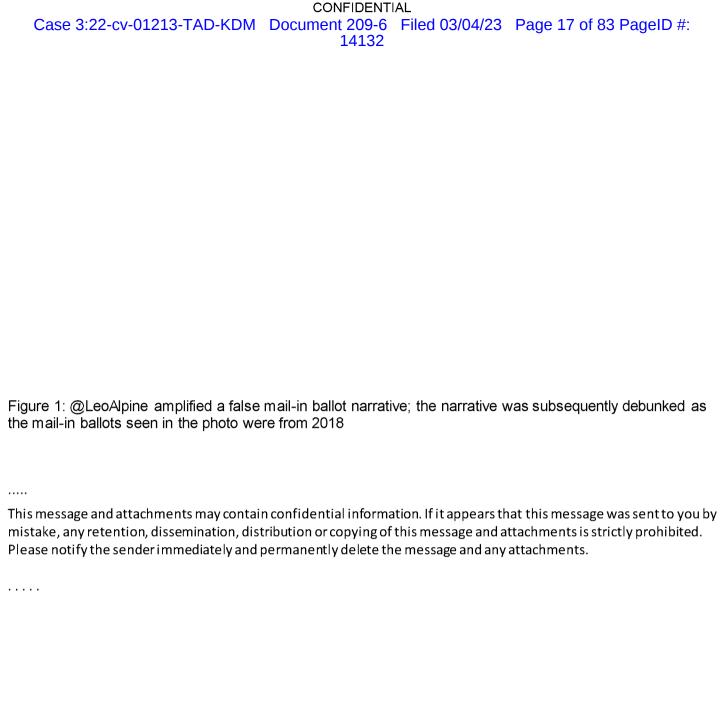
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To:	@twitter.com>,	@twitter.com>,
	@twitter.com>	

Hello Team Twitter,

We received the below report from Maryland. It appears they have already reported to you all, but wanted to make sure you had for awareness.

Regards,

Brian

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From: Misinformation Reports @cisecurity.org>

Sent: Saturday, October 10, 2020 12:42 PM

To: 2020partnership atlassian net; Misinformation Reports 2cisecurity.org>; CISA Central 2cisa.dhs.gov>; CFITF 2chq.dhs.gov>; Scully, Brian 2cisa.dhs.gov>

Subject: Case #CIS-MIS000036: Misinformation regarding voter registration deadline in Maryland

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Misinformation tweet regarding voter registration deadline in Maryland

Begin forwarded message:

From: Rachel Rachfal

Date: October 10, 2020 at 12:34:18 PM EDT

To: Misinformation Reports & Politics

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atwitter.com>		
Cc: "Cortnee N. Bryant	@maryland.gov>,	Donna Duncan
@maryland.gov>		
Subject: Election Misinformation Report		

Please see the following tweets (URLs and screenshots below) showing a purple table incorrectly displaying Maryland's deadline to request a mail-in ballot as 10/27. The deadline for a mail-in ballot to be received in Maryland is 10/20. We have reported these tweets in Twitter for containing election misinformation.

URLS:

twitter.com/LindaChocolate2/status/1314287490174459905http://twitter.com/LindaChocolate2/status/1314287490174459905

twitter.com/ridgetop21/status/1313590630728130561http://twitter.com/ridgetop21/status/1313590630728130561

twitter.com/LindaKWS1/status/1289020922444251138

http://twitter.com/LindaKWS1/status/1289020922444251138

twitter.com/ProtectVotes/status/1314820733755887618

http://twitter.com/LindaKWS1/status/1289020922444251138

Thank you,

Rachel Rachfal

Communications/Social Media

Maryland State Board of Electionshttp://www.elections.maryland.gov

[http://i.imgbox.com/22Spvwds.png]<https://twitter.com/md_sbe> [http://i.imgbox.com/QCePdmki.png]
<https://www.facebook.com/MarylandStateBoardofElections> [http://i.imgbox.com/GSaQhKOC.png]
@maryland.gov%3E

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From: Stafford, John @cisa.dhs.gov]

Sent: 10/14/20204:58:57 PM

To: @fb.com; @fb.com;

CC: CFITF All @hq.dhs.gov]

Subject: FW: Case #CIS-MIS000039: Viral misinformation about marks on ballot.

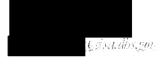
Good afternoon,

Please see below reporting from a Colorado state election official.

Best Regards, John

John Stafford

Analyst, Countering Foreign Influence Task Force National Risk Management Center (NRMC) Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency U.S. Department of Homeland Security





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From: CFITF @hq.dhs.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2020 4:48 PM

To: CFITF All @hq.dhs.gov>

Subject: FW: Case #CIS-MIS000039: Viral misinformation about marks on ballot.

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From: Misinformation Reports

Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2020 8:47:50 PM (UTC+00:00) Monrovia, Reykjavik

To: CISA Central; CFITF; Misinformation Reports; Scully, Brian

Subject: Case #CIS-MIS000039: Viral misinformation about marks on ballot.

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Misinformation Facebook post about marks on ballot

Begin forwarded message:

Date: October 14, 2020 at 4:34:48 PM EDT

To: El-ISAC Advisory @msisac.org>, MS-ISAC Advisory

@hq.dhs.gov, 24/7 Watch Floor @state.co.us>, Misinformation Reports

@cisecurity.org>

Cc: "Grenis, Timothy" @hq.dhs.gov>, "Maes, Jory" @hq.dhs.gov>, "Sonheim, David"

@hq.dhs.gov>, Trevor Timmons

@sos.state.co.us>

Subject: Election Misinformation - Facebook post

At the bottom of this email is a Facebook post provided to us by the Colorado Fusion Center. The statement in the post is false. A ballot would not be invalidated simply because something was written on it.

Our office did some research on the post and found the following:

- 1. This is all over Facebook. The original version of this appears to have originated in Myrtle Beach Florida circa 7 October and its now making its way across the internet over the last several days.
- 2. Several fact-checking websites have looked into this and found it to be false further suggesting it has gained some traction on social media but also that it is actively being countered.
- 1. https://leadstories.com/hoax-alert/2020/10/fact-check-poll-managers-in-myrtle-beach-have-no-reason-to-write-on-ballot-and-it-will-not-be-disqualified-if-a-poll-manager-writes-on-it.html (Published 9 October 2020)
- https://www.snopes.com/fact-check/poll-workers-ballots-invalidated/ (Published 13 October 2020)

There are some use cases in Colorado where a poll worker may need to mark ballots for proper processing, but it is rare. Therefore, we do not consider this a significant threat. We still wanted to make sure you were aware.

Facebook Post:

Can someone verify this?

from someone I know and trust.

advice for voting day...from a friend Just finished Poll Manager training! I passed all the classes. I want you all to know something...if you are checking in at the polls and they happen to write anything on your ballot before they give it to you to put in the voting machine...a letter, a checkmark, a star, an R or a D any writing of any kind...please request a new ballot. Your ballot could be disqualified if it is written on. Please be on the lookout for this type of behavior.

PASS IT ON!!!!!!!





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From: Scully, Brian

Sent: 10/2/2020 7:28:36 PM

To: @fb.com];

Subject: FW: Case #CIS-MIS000026: Facebook misinformation regarding absentee ballots mailed out in Scott County, IA.

Attachments: IMG 4219.PNG; IMG 4220.PNG; IMG 4221.PNG; IMG 4222.PNG

Good evening,

Because who doesn't like to start their weekend with some election related disinfo, I'm sharing a report from Scott County, IA. As usual, anything you can share on how you all handled the report is appreciated.

Brian

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From: Misinformation Reports

Sent: Friday, October 2, 2020 6:09 PM

To: Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov>; CISA Central @cisa.dhs.gov>; CFITF @hq.dhs.gov>;

②2020partnership.atlassian.net; Misinformation Reports ②cisecurity.org>

Subject: Case #CIS-MIS000026: Facebook misinformation regarding absentee ballots mailed out in Scott County, IA.

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Misinformation report from Scott County, IA

From: MS-ISAC SOC @msisac.org> Sent: Friday, October 2, 2020 5:54 PM

To: Misinformation Reports @cisecurity.org>

Subject: FW: Facebook misinformation

In response to your last email to eric.

From: Gookin, Eric [SOS] @sos.iowa.gov>

Sent: Friday, October 2, 2020 3:28 PM

To: MS-ISAC SOC @msisac.org>; MS-ISAC SOC @msisac.org>; SOCIOWA @iowa.gov>; Kise, Gregory [DPS]

@dps.state.ia.us>; FBI#4 (FBI) FBI#4 @fbi.gov>; Doolittle, James

@hq.dhs.gov>

Cc: Burhans, Heidi [SOS] @sos.iowa.gov>; Franklin, Jeff [SOS] @sos.iowa.gov>

Subject: Fwd: Facebook misinformation

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Please see this report of possible misinformation posted on Facebook. We received it from the Scott County Commissioner of Elections, Roxanna Mortiz. I've confirmed that Barbara Huxley is a registered voter in Scott County, IA.

Absentee ballots will not be mailed out in Iowa until Monday, October 5.

Forwarding for visibility.

Let me know if you have more questions.

Get Outlook foriOS

From: Burhans, Heidi [SOS]

Sent: Friday, October 2, 2020 12:54 PM
To: Gookin, Eric [SOS]; Franklin, Jeff [SOS]
Subject: FW: Facebook misinformation

From: Roxanna Moritz

Sent: Friday, October 2, 2020 11:33 AM

To: Burhans, Heidi [SOS] @sos.iowa.gov>

Subject: Fwd: Facebook misinformation

As per the incident report I am moving forward with inacurate

information posted on Facebook. Of course we have not mailed out ballots yet, therefore false information. Can you tell me what action will be taken

Roxanna Information

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Cindy Winckler @gmail.com>

Date: Thu, Oct 1, 2020, 8:57 PM Subject: Facebook misinformation

To: Roxanna Moritz @gmail.com>

Sent from my iPhone

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Dean Dierksen AMEN TO THAT....

1d Like Reply



Debbie Hamilton-Smith
Good for you. My relatives called
city hall and reported it. I told them
to call the local TV stations and see if
they put it on the air. Any bets?

1d Like Reply



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Barbara Huxley Registered independent or not, you are backing the Republican party of Trump this year, as evidenced by many of your posts and comments.

1d Like Reply



Barbara Huxley

Debbie Strawhacker I vote on



Write a comment...

















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Debbie Hamilton-Smith

Good for you. My relatives called city hall and reported it. I told them to call the local TV stations and see if they put it on the air. Any bets?

1d Like Reply





Barbara Huxley

Debbie Hamilton-Smith They
sure should! This reeks of
corruption!

1d Like Reply



Debbie Hamilton-Smith
They only dwell on news that
benefits one side. Plus they
don't want Davenport or the
state looking corrupt.

1d Like Reply



Debbie Strawhacker

Debbie Hamilton-Smith Barb is a Republican so I guess that



Write a comment...





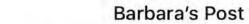












iu Like Reply

Debbie Hamilton-Smith Barb is a Republican so I guess that means it would benefit the Republican party, not the Democrats, if she were to submit these illegitimate ballots, which she cannot do. Iowa hasn't even mailed ballots out yet. It seems to me that someone out there is purposely trying to stir up trouble and cause doubt. Maybe the ballots she received should have been brought to the attention of the county auditor.

1d Like Reply





Barbara Huxley

Debbie Strawhacker If you're talking about this Barb, I'm a registered independent. Be sure of your facts before you state them.



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Write a comment...

















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Scully, Brian From: Sent: 10/23/2020 10:28:40 AM @fb.com]; To: @fb.com] CC @hq.dhs.gov] Subject: FW: Case #CIS-MIS000062: Misinformation regarding trading in ballots at an in-person voting center Good morning, Not a Facebook issue, but wanted you to be aware. Brian From: Misinformation Reports @cisecurity.org> Sent: Friday, October 23, 2020 9:51 AM To: Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov>; CISA Central @cisa.dhs.gov>; CFITF @hq.dhs.gov>; @2020partnership.atlassian.net; Misinformation Reports @cisecurity.org> Subject: Case #CIS-MIS000062: Misinformation regarding trading in ballots at an in-person voting center CAUTION: This email originated from outside of DHS. DO NOT click links or open attachments unless you recognize and/or trust the sender. Contact your component SOC with questions or concerns. Misinformation tweet regarding trading in ballots at an in-person voting center From: Rachel Rachfal -SBE-@maryland.gov> Sent: Friday, October 23, 2020 9:39 AM To: Threat Analyst @zerofox.com>; Misinformation Reports @cisecurity.org>; Twitter Government @fbi.gov; Andrea Trento & Politics @twitter.com>; @oag.state.md.us>;

Dtwitter.com

Cc: Jared DeMarinis -SBEDuncan -SBEDunc

SBE- @maryland.gov>; Megan R. Marano -SBE- @maryland.gov>

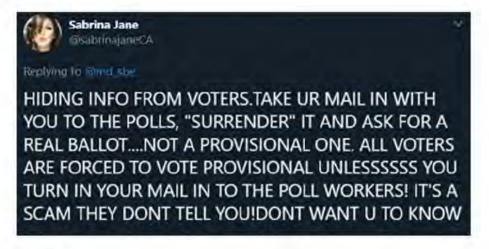
Subject: Misinformation Report

Please see the following screenshot below posted 6 times to our official Maryland State Board of Elections Twitter handle, <u>@md_sbe</u>, at the following URLs. We have reported these tweets to Twitter for containing election misinformation.

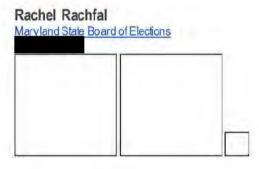
Maryland voters cannot surrender or trade-in ballots at in-person vote centers. Any voters who requested or received a mail-in ballot wanting to vote in-person will have to vote provisionally.

twitter.com/sabrinajaneCA/status/1319553270495375360 twitter.com/sabrinajaneCA/status/1319553200534372353 twitter.com/sabrinajaneCA/status/1319553086763929603 twitter.com/sabrinajaneCA/status/1319553064131461120 twitter.com/sabrinajaneCA/status/1319552994749263872 twitter.com/sabrinajaneCA/status/1319552744483475457

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Thank you,



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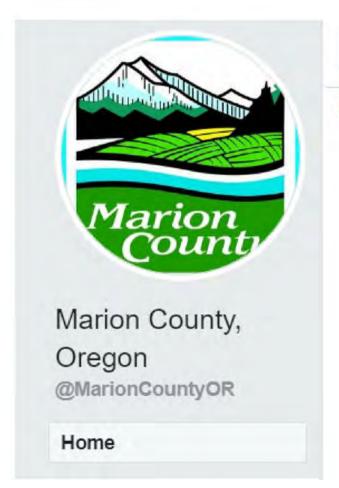
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Sent: To: Subject: Attachments:	10/26/2020 6:56:27 PM Pfb.com] FW: Case #CIS-MIS000072: Misinformation comment on Marion County, OR Facebook page 72.PNG; 72_2.PNG
Sent: Monday To: Scully, Bri @2020pa	@cisecurity.org> y, October 26, 2020 6:38 PM ian @cisa.dhs.gov>; CISA Central @cisa.dhs.gov>; CFITF @hq.dhs.gov>; rtnership.atlassian.net; Misinformation Reports @cisecurity.org> #CIS-MIS000072: Misinformation comment on Marion County, OR Facebook page
	email originated from outside of DHS. DO NOT click links or open attachments unless you recognize and/or er. Contact your component SOC with questions or concerns.
	on comment posted on Marion County, OR Facebook page. Screenshots of original post, comment, county's response to the comment are attached.
To: Misinform Cc: Bill Burge:	y, October 26, 2020 6:19 PM mation Reports @cisecurity.org>
	o forward the attached Facebook comment we received on the Marion County Facebook page. Included nt along with our response. Please let me know if you need any additional information.
Thanks, Jolene	
Jolene Kell	еу
	Public Information Officer
	Oco.marion.or.us Desk: Mobile: Mobile: Mobile: Mobile:

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Adell Kellogg Already voted, though some have made mention they won't get to because they got the wrong ballots and now suddenly the election office is "out of ballots" so many oregonians won't be able to vote as promised.

I don't care who you're voting for, this is just wrong!

Like - Reply - 1d



Author

Marion County, Oregon Adell Kellogg Hi Adell. We have confirmed with the Marion County Clerk's Office that there are sufficient ballots for every voter that needs a replacement. They are still mailing ballots daily. The Senator Hearing Room (located at Courthouse Square, 555 Court St. NE, Salem) is now open for anyone that needs to come in for a replacement ballot.

Like - Reply - 17m

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Scully, Brian From: @cisa.dhs .gov) 10/21/2020 10:52:32 PM Sent: @twitter.com1 To: @twitter.com]; CC: Re: State of IL reporting on "Fake Illinois Twitter" accounts Subject: Hi If I receive anything else, I'll send along. This is all that has been reported so far. Brian Brian Scully DHS Countering Foreign Interference Task Force National Risk Management Center @cisa.dhs.gov @twitter.com> Sent: Wednesday, October 21, 2020 10:50:58 PM To: Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov> @twitter.com>; CFITF @hq.dhs.gov> @twitter.com>; Subject: Re: State of IL reporting on "Fake Illinois Twitter" accounts CAUTION: This email originated from outside of DHS. DO NOT click links or open attachments unless you recognize and/or trust the sender. Contact your component SOC with guestions or concerns. Thanks Brian. We will escalate I see one account, are there other parody accounts people are seeing? If so, will you send those as well? On Wed, Oct 21, 2020 at 10:33 PM Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov> wrote: Hey Team Twitter, Please see below reporting about accounts impersonating MS-ISAC accounts.

Regards,

Brian

Brian Scully

DHS Countering Foreign Interference Task Force

National Risk Management Center

@cisa.dhs.gov

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From: Ben Spear @cisecurity.org > Sent: Wednesday, October 21, 2020 10:29 PM To: Masterson, Matthew; Aaron Wilson Cc: Scully, Brian; Snell, Allison; Hale, Geoffrey

Subject: RE: State of IL reporting on "Fake Illinois Twitter" accounts

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Matt.

We received info from l&A. SOC is notifying all of the MS-ISAC state contacts for the ones that have been identified. I also passed along to the misinfo portal to share with EIP and CFITF.

-Ben

Ben Spear

Director, EI-ISAC

@cisecurity.org

24x7 Security Operations Center







From: Masterson, Matthew @cisa.dhs.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, October 21, 2020 10:27 PM

To: Aaron Wilson

@cisecurity.org>

Cc: Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov>; Snell, Allison @cisa.dhs.gov>; Hale, Geoffrey

<u>@cisa.dhs.gov</u>>; Ben Spear <u>@cisecurity.org</u>> **Subject:** Fwd: State of IL reporting on "Fake Illinois Twitter" accounts

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See below for a weird one involving the ISAC. I know this isn't the normal reporting channel but wanted you all to see.

Matthew V. Masterson

Senior Cybersecurity Advisor

Department of Homeland Security

Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)

@cisa.dhs.gov

From: Joves, Alexander @HQ.DHS.GOV>

Sent: Wednesday, October 21, 2020 10:17 PM

To: CISA Elections2020.MM; ElectionTaskForce; CISA Central; Wales, Alexis; Masterson, Matthew; Hale,

Geoffrey; Snell, Allison; DaRosa, Antonio; Rouzer, Brett

Cc: Enriquez, Antonio; Lyddon, Steven; IP Region 5 Ops

Subject: State of IL reporting on "Fake Illinois Twitter" accounts

MM/EOT-ESI-Central:

Please see report from State of Illinois CISO on new group of fake Twitter accounts purporting to represent States being stood up by MS-ISAC.

Please advise response to IL partners if CISA can share with Social Media company & MS-ISAC for review as being staged for later use/potential disinformation.

Thanks

Alex Joves

Regional Director, Region V (IL, IN, MI, MN, OH, WI)

Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency

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From: Kustermann,	Aaron	ي illinois. و	<u>go v</u> >	
Sent: Wednesday, O	ctober 21, 2020 9:01	PM		
To: Lyddon, Steven	@cisa	.dhs.gov>; Joves	s, Alexander	@HQ.DHS.GOV>;
Enriquez, Antonio FBI #23	<u> </u>	<u>.d hs. gov</u> > FBI #24	<u>@fbi.gov</u> ≥; Johnso	on, Gregory
<u> a</u> ho	<u>ı.dhs.gov</u> >, Ford, A	dam	<u>@</u> Illinois.gov≥	
Subject: Fwd: Fake	Illinois Twittter			

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Alex, Steve, Tony

Any thoughts on this? These seem staged for use later. Can someone see these are shared with Twitter for consideration. They are labeled parody accounts so likely an attempt to stay within the TOS for Twitter.

Thank you

Aaron

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Ford, Adam" @illinois.gov>

Date: October 21, 2020 at 8:54:40 PM CDT

To: "Kustermann, Aaron" @illinois.gov>, "Phelps, Matthew"

@illinois.gov>

Cc: "Tate-Nadeau, Alicia" @illinois.gov>, "Kelly, Brendan"

<u>@illinois.gov</u>>, "Ricker, Jennifer" <u>@illinois.gov</u>>, "EXT Neely, Richard R"

<u>@ mail.mil</u>>, Shawn Strahle

Subject: Fake Illinois Twittter

Aaron/Matt,

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Several of my CISO peers have been notified about a new group of fake twitter accounts purporting to represent States being stood up by MS-ISAC.

I've not yet received a notice from MS-ISAC but located

https://twitter.com/officialstateil

which was recently established and is following/being followed by known malicious handles from other states.

Thanks,

Adam Ford |Chief Information Security Officer

Department of Innovation & Technology

Office:

illinois.gov | www.DoTT.illinois.gov



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From: Otwitter.com

Sent: 10/8/2020 10:38:29 AM

To: Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov]
CC: @twitter.com]

Subject: Re: FW: Case #CIS-MIS000033: Misinformation tweet to vote in-person in Washington state

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Hi Brian, this Tweet has been actioned for violating our rules.

On Wed, Oct 7, 2020 at 8:07 PM Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov> wrote:

Hi and

We received the below report from Washington.

Regards,

Brian

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From: Misinformation Reports

Sent: Wednesday, October 7, 2020 8:04 PM

To: Misinformation Reports @cisecurity.org>; CISA Central @cisa.dhs.gov>; CFITF

@hq.dhs.gov>; Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov>; @2020partnership.atlassian.net

Subject: Case #CIS-MIS000033: Misinformation tweet to vote in-person in Washington state

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Misinformation tweet to vote in-person in Washington state

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Zabel, Kylee" @sos.wa.gov>

Date: October 7, 2020 at 7:48:49 PM EDT

To: Misinformation Reports

Cc: Lori Augino @sos.wa.gov>, "Boyal, Kiran" @sos.wa.gov>

Subject: Possible misinformation on Twitter

Hello,

I wanted to flag this tweet the Washington Office of the Secretary of State's official Twitter account was tagged in I've attached a screenshot of the post itself, and it can be found here: https://twitter.com/JeffKis88392967/status/1313926786804113408

The reason I am flagging this as potential misinformation is it's not clear if this tweet is a simple statement or recommendation to "conservatives," or if this is a directive. If it's the latter, that would not be true. In Washington state, voters may return their ballots by mail, by placing their ballot in an official ballot drop box, or by visiting a county voting center.

My name is Kylee Zabel, and I'm the Communications Director for the Washington Office of the Secretary of State. I can be reached via this email or the two numbers listed in my signature block below. My cell phone is monitored after hours if I need to be reached urgently. I am also copying Washington State Elections Director Lori Augino and our Web and Social Media Coordinator Kiran Boyal.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you.

-Kylee

Kylee Zabel

Communications Director





@secstatewa All conservatives vote in person. Don't trust the mail

12:38 PM - Oct 7, 2020 - Twitter for iPhone



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From: a twitter.com

Sent: 10/22/2020 3:46:12 PM

Subject: Re: FW: Case #CIS MIS000058: Live canvass video on Twitter

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Thanks, Brian We will escalate for review.

Thanks,

On Thu, Oct 22, 2020 at 12:33 PM Scully, Brian <u>@cisa.dhs.gov</u>> wrote: Please see below report from Maryland.

Thanks,

Brian

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From: Misinformation Reports <u>@cisecurity.org</u>>

Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2020 12:02 PM

To: Scully, Brian $\underline{\mathscr{Q}}$ cisa.dhs.gov>; CISA Central $\underline{\mathscr{Q}}$ cisa.dhs.gov>; CFITF

 $\sqrt[3]{\text{hq.dhs.gov}}$; $\sqrt[3]{2020}$ partnership.atlassian.net; Misinformation Reports

@cisecurity.org>

Subject: Case #CIS-MIS000058: Live canvass video on Twitter

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Please see the report below from Maryland which includes an analysis from ZeroFox. Please also see the statement from the Montgomery County Board of Elections

(https://twitter.com/md_sbe/status/1319260743850708992).

https://montgomerycountymd.gov/Elections/Resources/Files/pdfs/Press%20Release/2020/CNVSS_ENG_1021_ 20.pdf

Best,

Election Infrastructure Information Sharing and Analysis Center

Center for Internet Security

@cisecurity.org Email:

www.cisecurity.org

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From: Art Treichel -SBE-@ maryland.gov>

Sent: Thursday, October 22, 2020 11:27 AM

FBI #12 To: (BA) (FBI) FBI #12@fbi.gov>; Misinformation Reports

@cisecurity.org>; @fbi.gov

Subject: Fwd: Live Canvass Video on Twitter

Please see the analysis from our social media monitoring vendor below regarding propagation of misinformation related to a video showing ballot marking in a voting center in Montgomery County, MD.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

----- Forwarded message -----From: @zerofox.com>

Date: Thu, Oct 22, 2020 at 10:35 AM Subject: Re: Live Canvass Video on Twitter

To: Art Treichel -SBE- \widehat{a} maryland. gov>

Cc: Threat Analyst wzerofox.com>, Rachel Rachfal -SBE- \widehat{a} maryland gov>,

 \widehat{a} maryland. gov>, \widehat{w} zerofox.com \geq , @zerofox.com>,

 \hat{w} zerofox.com>

Hi Art.

After additional analysis of this tweet as well as the networks of accounts retweeting it, we believe this content is likely being artificially spread by coordinated inauthentic behavior. The speed at which the video spread and the number of suspicious accounts that have retweeted the video are consistent with a coordinated inauthentic behavior rather than organic viral activity. It is likely that the coordinators of this activity were taking advantage of the livestream video opportunistically, rather than explicitly targeting the Maryland elections operations.

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We believe the origin of the video to be the tweet from @AGENT_GATTACA (https://twitter.com/AGENT_GATTACA/status/1318574205445664771) and received over 7,000 retweets despite having less than 1,800 followers. Additionally, the @redwins3_first account (https://twitter.com/redwins3_first/status/1318671549193281536) is also responsible for a considerable amount of the content's reach with more than 3,000 retweets albeit with a considerably larger follower base in excess of 42,000 followers. The large number of retweets @redwins3_first's tweet received is abnormal compared to other tweeted content prior to the Montgomery County video Furthermore, these two accounts do not appear to follow each other; however, they have 34 common followers, most of which display characteristics of inauthentic accounts. Automated or inauthentic behavior is generally characterized by:

- Recently created
- No profile image
- Excessive use of emojis and hashtags in bios
- Tweet counts not commensurate with account creation dates

We recommend sharing the joint inauthentic accounts with your Federal law enforcement partners to cross-reference their data. We've also attached a list of the accounts commonly connected between @AGENT_GATTACA and @redwins3_first for further cross-reference.

It's possible we could attempt takedown requests for these two tweets that seemingly drove a lot of the reach with this video. Due to the characteristics of disinformation, its possible Twitter would be compelled to review the case carefully. However, there is at least some possibility that if these tweets are removed, it will be leveraged in disinformation suggesting censorship or further propagating conspiracy theories.

Let us know if you would like us to take further action or conduct additional research. We will be sure to incorporate these findings into our EoW report for posterity.

Thanks,

On Wed, Oct 21, 2020 at 9:15 AM Art Treichel -SBE- maryland.gov> wrote: FYI

On Wed, Oct 21, 2020 at 8:41 AM Rachel Rachfal -SBE-

I sent this one to Margaret and Alysoun yesterday. It has been liked and shared 11k times: twitter.com/redwins3_first/status/1318671549193281536

Rachel Rachfal

Maryland State Board of Elections

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----- Forwarded message _-----

From: Jurgensen, Margaret @montgomerycountymd.gov>

Date: Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 6:58 PM

Subject: Re: Live Canvass Video on Twitter

To: Rachel Rachfal -SBE-

Cc: Donna Duncan -SBE-

<u>@maryland.gov</u>>, Margaret Jurgensen -SBE-

Alysoun McLaughlin -SBE-

@montgomerycountymd.gov>

Will interview this gentleman tomorrow

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 20, 2020, at 6.26 PM, Rachel Rachfal -SBE-

[EXTERNAL EMAIL]

Please see the video at twitter.com/AGENT_GATTACA/status/1318574205445664771 of canvassing in Montgomery County that has been liked and shared 7,000 times alleging fraud.

<image.png>

Rachel Rachfal

Maryland State Board of Elections



Take 10 minutes to be counted now - visit: https://2020census.gov/



For COVID-19 Information and resources, visit: www.montgomerycountymd.gov/COVID19

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Kind regards,

Arthur Treichel

Chief Information Security Officer
Marvland State Board of Elections



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Kind regards,

Arthur Treichel

Chief Information Security Officer Maryland State Board of Elections



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From: Misinformation Reports @cisecurity.org]

Sent: 10/23/2020 6:06:42 PM

To: Detwitter.com]
CC: Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov]; Detwitter.com];

Subject: Re: Case #CIS-MIS000062: Misinformation regarding trading in ballots at an in-person voting center

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Thank you,

Thank you for raising this to our teams. We have actioned these accounts under our civic integrity policy.

Thanks,

On Fri, Oct 23, 2020 at 9:57 AM Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov> wrote:

Please see the below reporting from Maryland.

Thanks,

Brian

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From: Misinformation Reports

Sent: Friday, October 23, 2020 9:51 AM

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To: Scully, Brian <u>@cisa.dhs.gov</u>>; CISA Central <u>@cisa.dhs.gov</u>>; CFITF @hq.dhs.gov>; <u>@2020partnership.atlassian.net</u>; Misinformation Reports @cisecurity.org>

Subject: Case #CIS-MIS000062: Misinformation regarding trading in ballots at an in-person voting center

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Misinformation tweet regarding trading in ballots at an in-person voting center

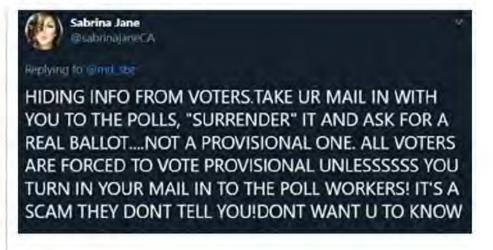
From: Rachel Rachfal -SBEa maryland.gov> Sent: Friday, October 23, 2020 9:39 AM To: Threat Analyst vzerofox.com>, Misinformation Reports ocisecurity.org>; Twitter Government & Politics atwitter.com>; @fbi.gov; Andrea Trento voag.state.md.us>; atwitter.com Cc: Jared DeMarinis -SBE-@maryland.gov>; Nikki Charlson @maryland gov>; Donna Duncan -SBEmaryland.gov>; Cortnee N. Bryant -SBE-@maryland.gov>; Art Treichel -SBEmaryland.gov>; Megan R. Marano -SBEa maryland.gov> Subject: Misinformation Report

Please see the following screenshot below posted 6 times to our official Maryland State Board of Elections Twitter handle, <u>@md sbe</u>, at the following URLs. We have reported these tweets to Twitter for containing election misinformation.

Maryland voters cannot surrender or trade-in ballots at in-person vote centers. Any voters who requested or received a mail-in ballot wanting to vote in-person will have to vote provisionally.

twitter.com/sabrinajaneCA/status/1319553270495375360
twitter.com/sabrinajaneCA/status/1319553200534372353
twitter.com/sabrinajaneCA/status/1319553086763929603
twitter.com/sabrinajaneCA/status/1319553064131461120
twitter.com/sabrinajaneCA/status/1319552994749263872
twitter.com/sabrinajaneCA/status/1319552744483475457

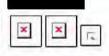
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Thank you,

Rachel Rachfal

Maryland State Board of Elections



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Sent: To:	10/26/2020 9:02:43 AM 2 twitter.com
CC:	@twitter.com]; @twitter.com]; CFITF @hq.dhs.gov];
Subject:	Misinformation Reports @cisecurity.org] RE: FW: Case #CIS-MIS000067: Youtube video alleging conspiracy by election administration in Detroit, MI
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Thanks	
Brian	
From:	@twitter.com>
	ay, October 26, 2020 12:40 AM
To: Scully, E Cc:	@cisa.dhs.gov> @twitter.com>;
	cisecurity.org>
Subject: Re	: FW: Case #CIS-MIS000067: Youtube video alleging conspiracy by election administration in Detroit, MI
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Thanks, Bria	an. We have taken enforcement action for violations of our policy on civic integrity.
Thanks!	
On Sun, Oct	25, 2020 at 10:44 PM
Thanks, Bri	ian. We will escalate.
On Sun, Oc	ct 25, 2020 at 10:43 PM Scully, Brian
Good eve	ening Team Twitter,
Please se	e the belowand attached reporting from Detroit.
Regards,	
Brian	
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by social media companies. Additionally, CISA will not take any action, favorable or unfavorable, toward social media companies based on decisions about how or whether to use this information.

From: Misinformation Reports

Sent: Sunday, October 25, 2020 10:35 PM

To: Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov>; CISA Central @cisa.dhs.gov>; CFITF

@2020partnership.atlassian.net; Misinformation Reports

Subject: Case #CIS-MIS000067: Youtube video alleging conspiracy by election administration in Detroit, MI

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Misinformation report: YouTube video, also shared on Twitter, alleging conspiracy by election administration in Detroit, MI

From: Jordan Smellie @ferndalemi.gov>

Sent: Sunday, October 25, 2020 10:16 PM

To: Misinformation Reports - @cisecurity.org>

Cc: Marne McGrath @ferndalemi.gov>; @detroitmi.gov;

@michigan.gov>; @twitter.com

Subject: Disinformation attack on Youtube and Twitter: "#DETROITLEAKS" video from 10/21/2020

Hello EI-ISAC,

My name is Jordan Smellie. I am the Elections Specialist for the City of Ferndale, Michigan. My email address is presented by the Elections Specialist for the City of Ferndale, Michigan. My email address is presented by the Elections Specialist for the City of Ferndale, Michigan. My email address is presented by the Elections Specialist for the City of Ferndale, Michigan. My email address is presented by the Elections Specialist for the City of Ferndale, Michigan. My email address is presented by the Elections Specialist for the City of Ferndale, Michigan. My email address is presented by the Elections Specialist for the City of Ferndale, Michigan. My email address is presented by the Elections Specialist for the City of Ferndale, Michigan. My email address is presented by the Elections Specialist for the City of Ferndale, Michigan.

I am reporting a disinformation (misinformation) attack video that was posted on YouTube on October 21 and repeatedly posted on Twitter since then, targeting election administration by the City of Detroit and State of Michigan and alleging an organized conspiracy by City and State employees.

The video is titled:

#DETROITLEAKS: State Employees Train Poll Workers to Lie to Voters, Destroy Ballots, Stop Challengers [sic]

The title card (which shows on Youtube's search screens and on some links) is:

"The Vote Fraud Scheme To Steal Michigan"

I have attached a screenshot of this title card, as requested by EI-ISAC.

The video can be found here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uHeodzJ5cNM

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It was posted by this user:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWs1IIWCNra9Zf8Xew9mTsw

It has been posted on Twitter multiple times since October 21, almost entirely by @bigleaguepol ("Big League Politics"), which is a far-right site that appears to primarily invent conspiracy theories and is operated by former Breitbart News employees. The tweets about the video use the same #DETROITLEAKS hashtag as the video title. This account 'teased' the video in a tweet on October 20.

The video takes what it alleges are recordings of "State Employees" (which are more likely City of Detroit Department of Elections employees, although they do not identify themselves in the audio), and misrepresents the audio by using on-screen commentary to misinform the viewer of the video.

- From 2:32 4:16, the person in the audio is describing the correct process for a <u>provisional affidavit</u> ballot (also colloquially called a "challenged ballot").
- At 2:42, the on-screen text claims that "Before 2020, NO challenged ballot would go into the tabulator." This is not true. Provisional affidavit ballots, as well as challenged absentee ballots, have always been fed through the tabulator on Election Day. That is exactly why they are prepared as correctly described in the audio (ballot number written on the ballot and covered up with a removable sticker) —which makes the claim at 3:04 completely wrong. Provisional Affidvait ballots always get voted as normal and are placed into the tabulator. Provisional Envelope ballots are sealed individually inside their own envelope (not placed into the tabulator) and are returned to the City Clerk for processing in the following days. These processes are not new to 2020; they have been in place for over a decade.
- At 3:55, the text incorrectly claims that "all challenged ballots WILL be counted immediately on Election Night", which is wrong. Provisional Affidavit ballots are counted along with all others. Provisional Envelope ballots are not.
- 4:12 attempts to cast doubt on the process of identifying and removing a ballot deemed uncountable which would only happen under court order, as only Provisional Envelope ballots would wind up inside the tabulator or the sealed ballot container and need to be retrieved. The video claims "This will NEVER happen. Unless MAYBE in a recount." Recounts have little to do with Provisional Affidavit ballots, and the assertion that the justice system would never take action to reverse proven voter fraud is entirely baseless. It serves only to cause the voter to doubt the good intentions of the judiciary and the justice system.
- At 4:20, the video refers to the Clerk's Office Voter Registration Receipt as "an easily-forged piece of paper".

 Again, this is a baseless accusation intended only to denigrate the legal election process and cause the video viewer to feel fear and doubt the security of Michigan's election.
- At 7:30, the video insinuates that simply using "children" (16- and 17-year olds, allowed under state law) as election inspectors is an intentional part of a conspiracy to intentionally undermine the election.
- At 9:04, the audio and the on-screen captions describe an absentee ballot that has been "Sent and received", meaning the Clerk has received the voted ballot from the voter and recorded it as such. This would have happened multiple days prior to the election. At 9:14, the video immediately turns around and ignores that by presenting a hypothetical 'scenario' where the voter might not have returned that very same ballot. This is completely contradictory, and is a total misrepresentation of the audio from the actual training scenario that has been recorded. At 9:23, the trainer in the audio even specifically says "You've already voted."

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This video is misinformation and disinformation because it repeatedly takes normal processes being correctly described as written in state law, and alleges in on-screen text that they are somehow problematic, or will not be followed. On multiple occasions, the on-screen text directly contradicts the audio. However, these are items that would likely only stick out to an election administrator; a member of the general public would follow the video's lead and assume that there is somehow a problem being described. Furthermore, the video makes outright false claims, alleging actions that are prohibited under Michigan election law.

Copied on this email are the following individuals and offices, per the directions from EI-ISAC:

- Marne McGrath, City Clerk, City of Ferndale
- George Azzouz, Director, City of Detroit Department of Elections
- Bureau of Elections at the Michigan Department of State
- Civics Outreach office at Google
- Government office at Twitter

This video is an attack on the City of Detroit, the State of Michigan, and by direct extension, all local election administrators in the state of Michigan, such as myself. This will disinform voters outside Detroit as easily as voters inside Detroit. Indeed, the choice of words throughout the video and in the calls to action at the end of the video infer that the video's audience is primarily people who are not Detroit residents. If that audience can be spurred to create unrest in Detroit, they can easily do the same in other jurisdictions, such as my jurisdiction as Detroit's immediate northern neighbor.

Thank you for your investigation and action. If I can be of any further assistance, please let me know and I will be happy to provide support.

Best.

Jordan Smellie Elections Specialist City of Ferndale

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From: @twitter.com]

Sent: 10/29/2020 2:52:23 PM

To: Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov]

CC: @twitter.com]; CFITF @hq.dhs.gov];

@cisecurity.org

Subject: Re: FW: Case #CIS-MIS000090: potential parody Twitter accounts related to Adams County, CO

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We will escalate. Thank you.

On Thu, Oct 29, 2020 at 2:37 PM Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov> wrote:

Please see the below reporting from Colorado. These do not appear to be connected to the imposter/parody accounts previously shared.

Regards,

Brian

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From: Misinformation Reports

Sent: Thursday, October 29, 2020 233 PM

To: Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov>; CISA Central @cisa.dhs.gov>; CFITF

@hq.dhs.gov>; @2020partnership.atlassian.net; Misinformation Reports

acisecurity.org>

Subject: Case #CIS-MIS000090: potential parody Twitter accounts related to Adams County, CO

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Misinformation report: two potential parody Twitter accounts related to Adams County, CO

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From: Josh Craven

Sent: Thursday, October 29, 2020 2:04 PM

To: Misinformation Reports

Oscisecurity.org>
Cc: Aaron Hayman

Oscisecurity.org>
Nathan Blumenthal

Oscisecurity.org>
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Oscisecurity.org>
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Subject: Flagging Twitter Accounts

EI-ISAC, CISA and Stanford Partners,

We want to highlight two accounts we found that could be used to imitate official accounts. We are unsure if there's any action that can be taken, but we wanted to flag them for consideration.

- https://twitter.com/adcogov
- https://twitter.com/Adamsclerk1

These are concerning to us here in Colorado because of the recent FBI/CISA warnings about impersonation accounts spreading false information about the election. We have recently flagged three other accounts (@c_ogov, @OfficalColorado, @COstateGov) that popped up in the last couple of weeks impersonating the Colorado state government and we wanted to highlight these new accounts for awareness.

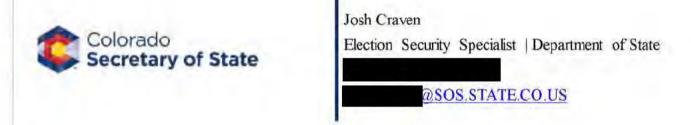


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From:

@twitter.com]

Sent: 10/29/2020 11:18:14 PM

To: Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov]

CC: Dtwitter.com]; Dtwitter.com]

Subject: Re: Queens Village (NY) residents receiving pre-filled out ballots for Joe Biden

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Thanks, Brian. We applied a contextual label pursuant to our policy on Civic Integrity.

On Thu, Oct 29, 2020 at 10:37 PM

Thanks, Brian. We received that report from the EIP and escalated. Much appreciated.

On Thu, Oct 29, 2020 at 9:46 PM Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov> wrote:

FYI - The EIP submitted the below to Twitter. No need to respond.

Regards,

Brian

Brian Scully

DHS Countering Foreign Interference Task Force

National Risk Management Center

@cisa.dhs.gov

From: CFITF @hq.dhs.gov>

Sent: Thursday, October 29, 2020 9:41 PM

To: CFITF All

Subject: FW: Queens Village (NY) residents receiving pre-filled out ballots for Joe Biden

From: Scully, Brian

Sent: Friday, October 30, 2020 1:41:38 AM (UTC+00:00) Monrovia, Reykjavik

To: CFITF; CFITF All

Subject: Re: Queens Village (NY) residents receiving pre-filled out ballots for Joe Biden

Thanks Alex.

Brian

Brian Scully

DHS Countering Foreign Interference Task Force

National Risk Management Center

@cisa.dhs.gov

From: CFITF @hq.dhs.gov>

Sent: Thursday, October 29, 2020 9:40:23 PM

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To: CFITF All

Subject: FW: Queens Village (NY) residents receiving pre-filled out ballots for Joe Biden

From: Zaheer, Alex

Sent: Friday, October 30, 2020 1:40:21 AM (UTC+00:00) Monrovia, Reykjavik

To: CFITF

Subject: Queens Village (NY) residents receiving pre-filled out ballots for Joe Biden

FYSA, EIP has reported the following to EI-ISAC and twitter.

From EIP:

Twitter: EIP noticed a post by user @/jakejakeny that alleged ballots are being sent to New York City, NY, residents that are pre-filled out to favor Biden/Harris; the user alleges voters are also instructed to "turn in" the pre-filled ballots as-is. We recommend that Twitter remove this tweet immediately, as it is intentionally vague so as to mislead.

https://twitter.com/jakejakenv/status/1321900543451799559 https://twitter.com/jakejakenv/status/1321955007189651459

Moments ago, @/jakejakeny went live via Periscope, embedded on Twitter, and doubled-down on the narrative he asserted in the original text/photo post. He claimed (1) mail-in voting is insecure; (2) conspiracy theories about election fraud are hard to discount; (3) and that he received information about the pre-filled ballots from an unidentified, and unidentifiable, friend. He also promised to go live again tomorrow, 10/30, with "more information." We recommend Twitter removes this post immediately, as it contains a message that intends to mislead and potentially cast doubt on the legitimacy of mail-in voting in a critical pre-election period. We also recommend that @/jakejakeny is monitored through the end 10/30 in the event that he again attempts to post on this topic in a manner that casts doubt on the legitimacy of the election itself or related election mechanisms.

Additionally, @/jakejakeny is tagging major conservative pundits (e.g. users with broad reach); claims news outlet affiliation in his bio; and the post itself is spilling over onto Facebook. These factors further support swift removal of both posts and a continued monitoring of the user's account.

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From: Scully, Brian

Sent: 10/28/2020 5:24:14 PM

To: @twitter.com]

Subject: RE: FW: Case #CIS-MIS000076: Alleged Voter Fraud citing VoteWA.gov website

Hey

Hope you all survived the hearing today. So here's the deal—EIP will only report something to Twitter if they have additional context to provide based on their research. For example, if they do analysis of the tweet and find info they think would help you all make a decision, they will send that analysis your way. They will not send Twitter reporting unless it is that additional context. They will also let CISA know when they are reporting something to you so I can give you a heads up (let me know if that makes things worse rather than better). They will continue to use the CIS case number in the email subject to facilitate identifying duplicative reports. I know that's not a great solution, but hopefully it is helpful.

Brian

From: @twitter.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2020 6:48 PM
To: Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov>

Subject: Re: FW: Case #CIS-MIS000076: Alleged Voter Fraud citing VoteWA.gov website

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Hey Brian, can we talk about CIS Misinformation reporting duplicate reports to EIP? Possible to just have you escalate?

On Tue, Oct 27, 2020 at 5:59 PM Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov> wrote:

Please see below reporting from Washington.

Regards,

Brian

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From: Misinformation Reports
Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2020 5:45 PM
To: @2020partnership.atlassian.net; Misinformation Reports @cisecurity.org>; Scully, Brian
@cisa.dhs.gov>; CFITF @hq.dhs.gov>; CISA Central @cisa.dhs.gov> Subject: Case #CIS-MIS000076: Alleged Voter Fraud citing VoteWA.gov website
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Misinformation report:
Begin forwarded message: Alleged Voter Fraud citing VoteWA.gov website
From: "Jacob, Nick" @sos.wa.gov>
Date: October 27, 2020 at 5:36:45 PM EDT To: Misinformation Reports @cisecurity.org>
Cc: Lori Augino
Subject: Possible misinformation on Twitter
Hello,
I wanted to flag this tweet alleging voter fraud in Washington state. I've attached a screenshot of the post itself, and it can be found here: https://twitter.com/NoblePyro/status/1321099753917087745
The reason I am flagging this as potential misinformation is because the user is not posting his ballot, but rather a general page on our VoteWA.gov site that lists current elected officials.
My name is Nick Jacob, and I'm an Executive Receptionist for the Washington Office of the Secretary of State. I can be reached via this email or the number listed in my signature block below. My cell phone is monitored after hours if I need to be reached urgently.
I am also copying Washington State Elections Director Lori Augino, Office of the Secretary of State Communications Director Kylee Zabel, and our Web and Social Media Coordinator Kiran Boyal.
Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.
Thank you.
-Nick
NickJacob

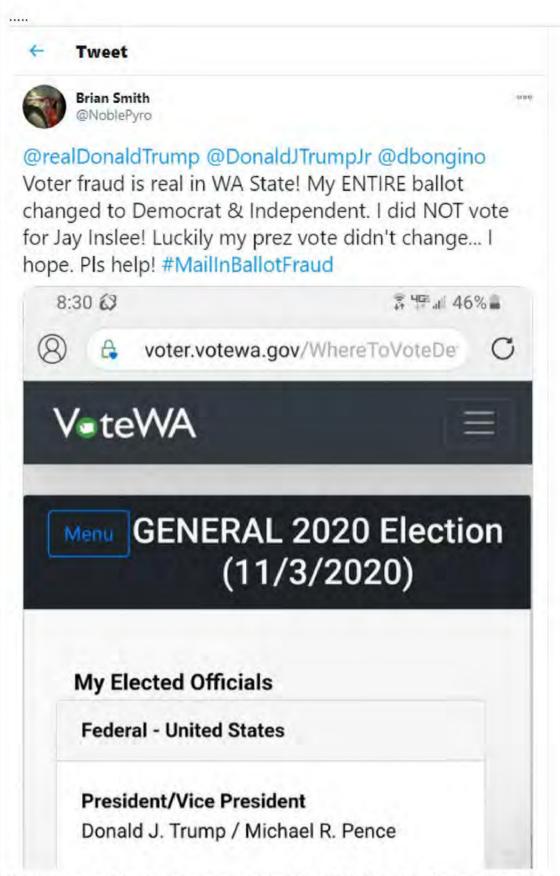
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From: Scully, Brian

Sent: 10/27/2020 7:07:18 PM

To: Dtwitter.com

Subject: RE: FW: Case #CIS-MIS000076: Alleged Voter Fraud citing VoteWA.gov website

I just sent a note to CIS and EIP to see if we can stop sending you duplicate messages and have reports only come from us. Will keep you posted.

Brian

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Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2020 6:48 PM
To: Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov>

Subject: Re: FW: Case #CIS-MIS000076: Alleged Voter Fraud citing Vote WA.gov website

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From: Misinformation Reports @cisecurity.org>

Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2020 5:45 PM

To: @2020partnership.atlassian.net; Misinformation Reports

@cisa.dhs.gov>; CFITF @hq.dhs.gov>; CISA Central @cisa.dhs.gov>

Subject: Case #CIS-MIS000076: Alleged Voter Fraud citing VoteWA.gov website

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Misinformation report:

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From: "Jacob, Nick" @sos.wa.gov>
Date: October 27, 2020 at 5:36:45 PM EDT

To: Misinformation Reports

Cc: Lori Augino @sos.wa.gov>, "Zabel, Kylee" @sos.wa.gov>, "Boyal, Kiran"

@sos.wa.gov>

Subject: Possible misinformation on Twitter

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Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

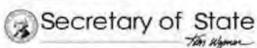
Thank you.

-Nick

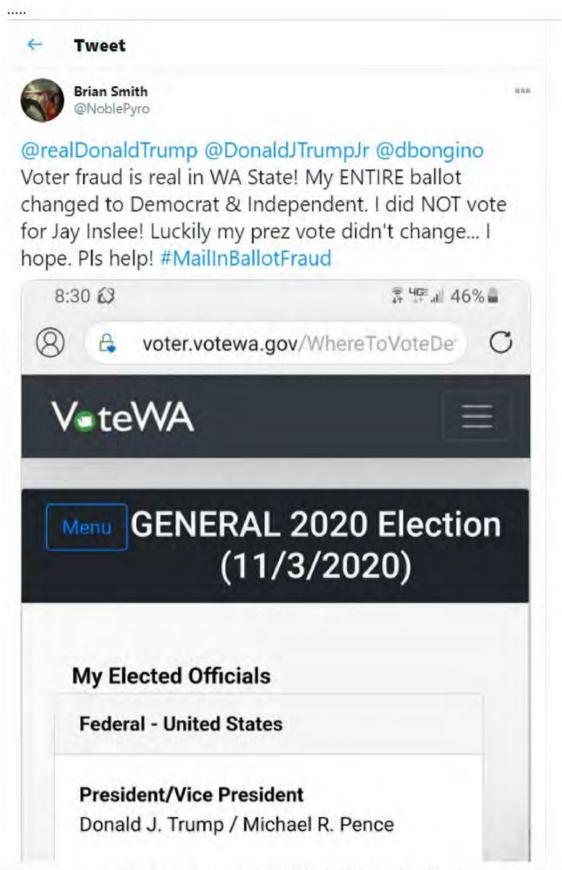
Nick Jacob

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From:	Scully, Brian
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Sent: To:	10/29/2020 7:30:38 PM @twitter.com); @twitter.com];
	@twitter.com]
CC:	CFITF @hq.dhs.gov]; @cisecurity.org
Subject:	FW: Case #CIS-MIS000091: alleged fraud in Washington state elections
Attachments:	James CAAustinNifty_John.png
Good evenin	g,
Please see th	ne below report from Washington.
Thanks,	
Brian	
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	ay, October 29, 2020 7:26 PM
To: Scully, Br	
A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR	ertnership.atlassian.net; Misinformation Reports @cisecurity.org> ##CIS-MIS000091: alleged fraud in Washington state elections
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Misinformat	ion report: two tweets alleging fraud in Washington state elections.
From: Jacob,	Nick @sos.wa.gov>
	ay, October 29, 2020 7:21 PM
	mation Reports @cisecurity.org>
Cc: Lori Augi	
	@sos.wa.gov>
	sible misinformation on Twitter

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Hello,

I wanted to flag two tweets with possible misinformation about the election.

https://twitter.com/JamesCAAustin/status/1321738257399533571 -- "Ballots can appear whenever, from whomever" is false.

https://twitter.com/nifty_john/status/1321759027508908033 -- The response to the above tweet includes the following sentence: "Washington State in 2004 judges ignored the real count and rewarded the Democrats." That is not a factual statement.

My name is Nick Jacob, and I'm an Executive Receptionist for the Washington Office of the Secretary of State. I can be reached via this email or the number listed in my signature block below. My cell phone is monitored after hours if I need to be reached urgently.

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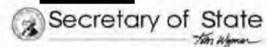
Thank you.

-Nick

Nick Jacob

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Voters don't win elections, vote counters do.

Washington State in 2004 judges ignored the real count and rewarded the Democrats



James Austin @JamesCAAustin · 14h

The election's been deconstructed. The date doesn't matter, voters' IDs don't matter, nor does campaigning or who the Dems are running. Ballots can appear whenever, from whomever, & folks aren't voting FOR Biden & Harris, just against. Like Covid, the numbers will be meaningless.

3:21 AM - Oct 29, 2020 - Twitter for Android

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From:	@twitter.com
rion.	witter.com

Sent: 10/30/2020 5:38:20 PM
To: Scully, Brian

@cisecurity.org

Subject: Re: FW: Case #CIS-MIS000094: alleged election fraud

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Thanks Brian. We will escalate.

On Fri, Oct 30, 2020 at 5:08 PM Scully, Brian <u>@cisa.dhs.gov</u>> wrote: Please see below report from Washington.

Thanks,

Brian

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From: Misinformation Reports

Sent: Friday, October 30, 2020 5:04 PM

To: @2020partnership.atlassian.net; Misinformation Reports @cisecurity.org>; Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov>; CFITF @hq.dhs.gov>; CISA Central @cisa.dhs.gov>

Subject: FW: Case #CIS-MIS000094: alleged election fraud

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Misinformation Report: four tweets alleging election fraud

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Jacob, Nick" @sos.wa.gov>
Date: October 30, 2020 at 4:34.05 PM EDT

To: Misinformation Reports

Cc: Lori Augino @sos.wa.gov>, "Zabel, Kylee" @sos.wa.gov>, "Boyal, Kiran"

wsos.wa.gov>

Subject: Possible misinformation on Twitter

Hello,

I wanted to flag four tweets with possible misinformation about the election.

https://twitter.com/wa4win/status/1322201482867986433https://twitter.com/wa4win/status/1322201482867986433 - This is baseless for a number of reasons.

https://twitter.com/DavidJDAddabbo/status/1322217165932683264https://twitter.com/DavidJDAddabbo/status/1322217165932683264 -- There is no giant ballot harvesting scheme taking place. Also, The website they are sharing contains false information. They state that the Voter Registration Database has not been updated in 18 months. It gets updated every month. The following tweets also link to the site they're sharing: <a href="https://twitter.com/search?q=%22Giant%20Ballot%20Harvesting%20Scheme%20Exposed%20in%20Washington%20State%22&src=typed_query&f=live<a href="https://twitter.com/search?q=%22Giant%20Ballot%20Harvesting%20Scheme%20Exposed%20in%20Washington%20State%22&src=typed_query&f=live %20Scheme%20Exposed%20in%20Washington%20State%22&src=typed_query&f=live<

https://twitter.com/shufixer/status/1321901657681063936https://twitter.com/shufixer/status/1321901657681063936https://twitter.com/shufixer/status/1321901657681063936 -- This is misinformation. No ballots have been rejected in WA, so a "legitimate" post was not taken down.

https://twitter.com/ADH605/status/1322262538759950337https://twitter.com/ADH605/status/1322262538759950337 -- Voters should be reaching out to their county elections officials, not a third-party. We are reaching out to Common Cause.

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Thank you.

-Nick

Nick Jacob

Office of the Secretary of State

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[cid:image002.png@01D36A94.E944A350]https://www.facebook.com/WaSecretaryOfState [cid:image003.png@01D36A94.E944A350]https://www.youtube.com/user/secstatewa [cid:image005.png@01D36A94.E944A350]https://www.instagram.com/secstatewa

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From:	2 twitter.com] 10/28/2020 8:03:28 PM
Sent: To:	Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov]
CC:	@twitter.com]; CFITF @hq.dhs.gov];
	@cisecurity.org
Subject:	Re: FW: Case #CIS-MIS000087: misinformation tweets regarding mail-in ballots
	This email originated from outside of DHS. DO NOT click links or open attachments unless you recognize and/or trust the stact your component SOC with questions or concerns.
This Twee	et has been labeled pursuant to our civic integrity policy.
	Oct 28, 2020 at 6:47 PM wrote: ou, Brian. We will escalate.
On Wed	Oct 28, 2020 at 6:29 PM Scully, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov> wrote:
Please s	see below report from Washington.
Regards	
Brian	
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Sent: V	Misinformation Reports Wednesday, October 28, 2020 6:14 PM ally, Brian @cisa.dhs.gov>; CISA Central @cisa.dhs.gov>; CFITF ag.dhs.gov>; Misinformation Reports @cisecurity.org> Case #CIS-MIS000087: misinformation tweets regarding mail-in ballots

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Cc: Lori Augino <u>@sos.wa.gov</u>>; Zabel, Kylee <u>@sos.wa.gov</u>>; Boyal, Kiran

Subject: Possible misinformation on Twitter

Hello,

I wanted to flag two tweets with possible misinformation about the election here in Washington state.

https://twitter.com/gabe_k/status/1321523966683406336 -- Ballots that are postmarked by Election Day are accepted up to 20 days after Election Day. This tweet is false.

https://twitter.com/ReeseRe48384159/status/1321563373020983297 -- Please see the information cited above. This tweet is also false.

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Sent: To:	②twitter.com
CC:	@twitter.com];
18.80	@twitter.com]; CFITF @hq.dhs.gov];
Subject:	RE: FW: Case #CIS-MIS000091: alleged fraud in Washington state elections
Thanks	
From:	@twitter.com>
Sent: Thu	rsday, October 29, 2020 8:01 PM
To: Scully,	
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To: Scully, Brian - @cisa.dhs.gov>; CISA Central @cisa.dhs.gov>; CFITF @hq.dhs.gov>;
@2020partnership.atlassian.net; Misinformation Reports
Subject: Case #CIS-MIS000091: alleged fraud in Washington state elections
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Misinformation report; two tweets alleging fraud in Washington state elections.
From: Jacob, Nick
Sent: Thursday, October 29, 2020 7:21 PM
To: Misinformation Reports
@sos.wa.gov>
Subject: Possible misinformation on Twitter
Hello,
I wanted to flag two tweets with possible misinformation about the election.
https://twitter.com/JamesCAAustin/status/1321738257399533571 "Ballots can appear whenever, from whomever is false.
https://twitter.com/nifty_john/status/1321759027508908033 The response to the above tweet includes the following sentence: "Washington State in 2004 judges ignored the real count and rewarded the Democrats." That is not a factual statement.
My name is Nick Jacob, and I'm an Executive Receptionist for the Washington Office of the Secretary of State. I can be reached via this email or the number listed in my signature block below. My cell phone is monitored after hours if I need to be reached urgently.
I am also copying Washington State Elections Director Lori Augino, Office of the Secretary of State Communications Director Kylee Zabel, and our Web and Social Media Coordinator Kiran Boyal.
Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.
Thank you.
-Nick

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